IN THE ABSTRACT:

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A system provides referencing from one file system server to another through the use of a file system location database, improving movement and replication of file systems. When a file system is moved from a first file system server, a data object that references the file system remains in the first server and contains information used to find the current location of the file system. The actual location of the file system is stored in the separate file system location database, which contains the locations of file systems on a number of file system servers. This allows the data in a file system to be replicated or moved without requiring updates to the data in any redirecting or referencing servers.